GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

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PILOT PROJECT FOR WELFARE OF DISABLED
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have proposed a pilot project in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka for the welfare of disabled in association with the Rehabilitation Council of India;

(b) if so, whether both the states have agreed to implement the project; and

(c) if so, the time by which this project is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a): In so far as the Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation is concerned, no such pilot project is under consideration at present. However, this Ministry has been implementing a centrally sponsored urban poverty alleviation programme w.e.f. 1.12.1997 called Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) with a view to provide gainful employment to the urban unemployed or under employed poor through encouraging the setting up of self employment ventures or provision of wage employment. There is already a special provision of 3% reservation for the disabled under the Urban Self Employment Programme (USEP) component of SJSRY.

(b)&(c): Does not arise in view of (a) above.